(d) No, Sir.

Rehabiltation of shipping industry

1748. SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to rehabilitate shipping industry as suggested by high level expert group on shipping;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal; and

(c) whether the industry would be brought within the ambit of Sec. 80CC of the Income Tax Act?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) An Expert Group set up to formulate and suggest fiscal incentives for attracting capital to the shipping industry has recommended various concessions to be extended to the industry under the provisions of the Indian Income Tax Act including extension of the facilities of section 80 CC. These recommendations have been forwarded to the relevant authorities.

Linking Hazaribagh by rail

1749. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any feasibility study of connecting Hazaribagh in Bihar by railway;

(b) if so, what are the results of that study; and

(c) what is Government's present policy regarding this rail link?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Survey for a new B.G. railway line from Ranchi to Giridih via Hazaribagh and Koderma was conducted in 1986. The project was not finanically viable. As such, it is not proposed to be taken up.

पटना सें गुलजार बाग के निकट पुल

1750. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने का कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पूर्व रेलवे के महाप्रबंधक ने हाल ही में यह घोषणा की है कि पटना में गुलजार बाग के पास महात्मा गांधी सेतु से लगभग सौ गज पूर्व में नये पुल का निर्माण किया जायेगा ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इस सम्बन्ध में ब्यौरा क्या है ?

रेल मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री माधवराव सिंधिया) : (क) और (ख) जी, नहीं । पटना के निकट गंगा नदी पर रेल पुल के लिए इंजीनियरी एवं-यातायात सर्वेक्षण किया जा रहा है । पुल के स्थल का तकनीकी और परिचालनिक दृष्टि से सर्वेक्षण किया जा रहा है । जब तक सर्वेक्षण पूरा नहीं हो जाता और रिपोर्ट की जांच नहीं क ली जाती, तब तक आगे कोई कार्रवाई नहीं की जा सकती ।

Pollution of sea by foreign ships

1751. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) on our coastal frontier is also used by

foreign ships/tankers carrying petroleum and other chemicals very often;

(b) if so, whether there are international or domestic laws in vogue to regulate the conduct of such vessels in course of its passage to protect our EEZ against pollutions if caused by passing vessels, if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there are provisions for securing compensation/penalty in the event of any vessel causing pollution of our sea zone or violation of regulator laws; and

(d) if so, which department of Government is responsible for enforcing such laws and supervision of the conduct of passing vessels and on how many occasions, in last three years incidents of pollution of our sea has been detected and how much compensation/penalty amount secured?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Part XI-A of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1958 deals with the prevention and containment of pollution of the sea by oil discharged by or escaping from ships.

(c) The penalties for contravention of provisions of Part XI-A of the M.S. Act, 1958 are specified at Sl. No. 115B of sub-section 2 of section 436 of the above Act. As regards compensation for damage caused by pollution provisions of Part X-B apply.

(d) Under Notification No. SW/5-MSR(3)/83-MA dated 13.11.86 specific officers of the major ports within their ports area and officers of the Coast Guard within the maritime zone of India are authorised under section 356 G of the M.S. Act for enforcing the relevant provisions of the M.S. Act. The statistical information for the last three years is not available.

Drugs price control under National Health Programme

1752. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1201 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 18th November, 1987 and state:

(a) what is the total number of programmes covered under National Health Programme along with their names;

(b) what are the names of programmes which have not been recommended for inclusion under category I of Drugs Price Control Order;

(c) what are the names of drugs required for these programmes;

(d) whether it is a fact that according to measures announced in Deecmber, 1986 it was clearly indicated that all programmes under National Health Programme will be covered under Category I along with drugs required;

(e) whether it is a fact that measures announced in 1986 had the approval of the Cabinet;

(f) if so, the reasons for which Ministry has deviated from the policy and Cabinet decision;

(g) whether his Ministry obtained approval from Cabinet for deletion of certain programmes from the list;

(h) if so, when along with the names of programmes?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI MOTI LAL VORA): (a) to (h) According to the Measures for